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In re the Application of: **SAKASHITA et al.**

Group Art Unit: 1713

Serial No.: **09/530,202**

Examiner: **K. Egwim**

Filed: **April 26, 2000**

Confirmation No.: **3928**

For: **PROCESSING AID FOR VINYL/CHLORIDE RESIN AND
VINYL/CHLORIDE RESIN COMPOSITION**

Attorney Docket No.: **000466**

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RESPONSE TO ACCOMPANY RCE

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

October 20, 2003

Sir:

Concurrent with a Request for Continued Examination, Applicants submit the following remarks.

REMARKS

Claims 1-4 are pending in the present application, and are rejected. Applicants submit herewith new arguments and additional support for their traversal of the previous rejections.

Claim Rejections - 35 U.S.C. §102/103

Claims 1-4 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as anticipated by or, in the alternative, 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Kishida et al., Tuzuki et al., Matsuba et al. (US or EP) or GB 1378434 for reasons cited in previous Office actions.